

**Minutes**  
**West Lafayette Historic Preservation Commission**  
**Certificate of Appropriateness Sub-Committee**  
**Morton Community Center**  
**222 N. Chauncey Avenue**  
**West Lafayette, IN 47906**  
**June 6, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Peter Bunder, Chair, who presided.

Present: Colby Bartlett, Peter Bunder, Arnold Sweet, Kurt Wahl<sup>1</sup>, Erik Carlson<sup>2</sup>, Julia Zuchkov<sup>2</sup>

Absent:

**425 Littleton Street**

Kurt Wahl gave some background on the property. 425 Littleton is listed in the interim report as a contributing 1915 bungalow. The COA applicants requested to replace original windows. David and Dorothy Taylor were present to answer any questions about their application. Wahl requested evidence that the current windows cannot be repaired. Dorothy Taylor explained that, when attempting to restore the windows, they were running into too much rot. Commissioner Bartlett expressed that it is clear the Taylor's have worked on the windows and that the Taylor's plan to make an effort to maintain the historic aspects of current windows. Commissioner Bunder agreed.

The proposed window elevations reflect the style and proportions of the existing, original windows. The Taylors explained that the current windows are warped and deteriorating. Currently, there are aluminum-clad replacement windows adjacent to those on the South exposure. The mullions on the windows will be exactly the same as they currently are. Wahl reviewed Secretary of Interior Standards number two, five, and six. Number two states that the historic character of the property will be maintained and preserved. Removal of distinct material or alterations that characterize the property shall be avoided. Number five states that distinctive materials, features, finishes and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship shall be preserved. Number six states that deteriorated historic features will be repaired rather than replaced. When the severity of the deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature will match the old in design, color, texture, and, where possible, materials. Dorothy Taylor explained that the distinctive feature of a Craftsman house would be wood windows with mullions, double hung. The replacement windows will match these specifications.

The Taylor's plan to match the new windows with the color of the current replacement windows. Wahl explained that this may not be a historically accurate color and that since it would be a permanent fixture, the commission would have purview over the color choice. Dorothy Taylor explained that when she chose the original aluminum, she looked at a book with Craftsman homes and that the color did look appropriate for that style of home.

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Original mullions and sizing (big window in the middle with two smaller on the side, all the same exact size), will be maintained.

Commissioner Bartlett moved to approve the COA, given that similar original mullions will remain and that the original sizing will be maintained. An amendment was added to the original COA that mullions will be added to previously replaced windows. Commissioner Bunder seconded.

The COA for 425 Littleton Street was approved unanimously, with conditions that the original mullions will remain and the original sizing will be maintained.

### **516 Robinson Street**

Wahl explained that there is no reference to this property in the interim report. From his site visit, he made the determination that it is non-contributing. Maureen and Carl Clayton were present to answer any questions. The application requests the replacement of non-original windows. All windows will be replaced with photos provided in the application, except the windows will have six panes on top and no panes on the bottom, identical to what is currently on the house. Wahl explained that the current windows have aluminum, meaning they are probably not original. The new windows will be high-grade vinyl. Commissioner Bartlett moved to approve the application as submitted. Commissioner Bunder seconded.

The COA for 516 Robinson Street was approved unanimously.

### **806 North Chauncey Avenue**

Wahl explained that there is no reference to this property in the interim report and that he is considering it non-contributing. Kirk Eicher-Miller was present to answer any questions. The front door is not original. Eicher-Miller explained that the replacement door will be fiberglass and will be a white painted wood-look. Commissioner Bartlett moved to approve the application. Commissioner Sweet seconded.

The COA for 806 Robinson Street was approved unanimously.

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Peter Bunder, Chair